

# Tearful Will Smith Reveals What Denzel Washington Told Him About 'The Devil' Moments After He Slugged Chris Rock at the Oscars

Will Smith's decision to storm the Academy Awards stage Sunday night and slug comedian Chris Rock shocked the world, but in the aftermath came a piece of spiritual advice for Smith from fellow actor Denzel Washington.

"Denzel [Washington] said to me a few minutes ago, 'At your highest moment, be careful. That's when the devil comes for you,'" Smith revealed. "I want to be a vessel for love."

Smith, who ironically won the best actor Oscar for *King Richard* not long after hitting Rock, revealed Washington's comments during his acceptance speech.

Washington was seen stoically looking on at Smith during the address.

His words on the devil, of course, ring true—and are scripturally sound. The Bible warns believers that Satan seeks to kill, destroy, confuse and cause consternation.

Washington and others like actor Tyler Perry were seen approaching Smith and providing comfort in the wake of the stunning act of violence that shocked Hollywood and viewers alike and quickly went viral.

"During the commercial break, Will Smith is pulled aside and comforted by Denzel Washington and Tyler Perry, who motion for him to brush it off," *The Hollywood Reporter* columnist Scott

Feinberg tweeted.

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